have to travel to specialty hospitals in cities and were treated in their own places.

(vii) Under the INSAT system, the target of 175 transponders, which were projected based on the requirements for communication, will be met by the end of Tenth Plan period through a constellation of 10 satellites.

Unemployed Engineers/Diploma Holders

482. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that the number of engineers and diploma holders growing day by day and they are now searching jobs in various fields;

(b) if so, Government's response thereto; and

(c) whether Government are considering any proposal to offer various departmental small contract/project works to unemployed educated engineers/Diploma holders so that these Youth can start their own business and earn enough money; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI K. CHANDRASEKHAR RAO): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The additional employment opportunities proposed to be created during Tenth Plan will help them in getting employment.

(c) At present, there is no such proposal under consideration in the Ministry of Labour & Employment.

(d) Government is targeting creation of around 5 crore employment opportunities during the Tenth Plan period. These will help the unemployed engineers and diploma holders also.

Execution of MPLAD Scheme

483. SHRI URKHAO GWRA BRAHMAi Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the execution of MPLAD Scheme are always delayed;